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Office Action Summary

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Applicant(s)

BAUDISCH ET AL.

Examiner

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- If NO period for reply is specified above, the maximum statutory period will apply and will expire SIX (6) MONTHS from the mailing date of this communication.
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Status

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 13 June 2005.
- 2a) ☐ This action is **FINAL**. 2b) ☒ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 1-8 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) _____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 1-8 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☐ The drawing(s) filed on _____ is/are: a) ☐ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:
- ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
 - ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
 - ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).
- * See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

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| 1) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Notice of References Cited (PTO-892) | 4) <input type="checkbox"/> Interview Summary (PTO-413)
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DETAILED ACTION

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102

1. The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35 U.S.C. 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

A person shall be entitled to a patent unless –

(b) the invention was patented or described in a printed publication in this or a foreign country or in public use or on sale in this country, more than one year prior to the date of application for patent in the United States.

2. Claims 1-8 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by
Ejima et al (6,342,900).

Regarding Claims 1 and 4, Ejima et al teaches a method for displaying a perceived continuous image across first and second display areas, each display area having a given display resolution and the display resolution of one display area is different than the display resolution of the other display area comprising: a) providing a source image to be displayed on the first and second display areas (Figures 6,10-14; Column 13, line 34- Col.16, line 56);
b) providing first and second portions of the source image to be displayed on the first and second display areas respectively wherein the second portion of the source image is a scaled portion of the source image such that when the first and second portions of the source images are displayed on the first and second display areas the resulting displayed image appears substantially continuous to a viewer situated to view the displayed image and the displayed resolution of the first portion of the source image is different from the displayed resolution of the second portion of the source

image (Figures 6,10-14; Column 13, line 34- Col.16, line 56), and
c) transmitting the first portion of the source image to the first display area and the second portion of the source image to the second display area (Figures 6,10-14; Column 13, line 34- Col.16, line 56).

Regarding Claims 2 and 5, Ejima et al teaches a method of claim 1 wherein the source image is provided in at least one computer readable file (fig.6).

Regarding Claims 3 and 6, Ejima et al teaches a method of claim 1 wherein the source image is provided by at least one video camera (fig.6).

Regarding Claims 7 and 8, Ejima et al teaches a method for displaying a perceived continuous video image across first and second display areas, each display area having a given display resolution and the display resolution of one display area is different than the display resolution of the other display area comprising: a) capturing a first video image to be displayed on the first display area (Figures 6,10-14; Column 13, line 34- Col.16, line 56),
b) capturing a second video image to be displayed on the second display area wherein the second image is a scaled portion of the first image such that when the images are displayed on the first and second display areas the resulting displayed image appears substantially continuous to a

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viewer situated to view the image and the displayed resolution of the first video image is different from the displayed resolution of the second video image (Figures 6,10-14; Column 13, line 34- Col.16, line 56) and c) transmitting the first video image to the first display area and the second video image to the second display area (Figures 6,10-14; Column 13, line 34- Col.16, line 56).

Response to Arguments


3. Applicant's arguments with respect to claims 1-8 have been considered but are moot in view of the new ground(s) of rejection.

4. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to VIJAY SHANKAR whose telephone number is (571) 272-7682. The examiner can normally be reached on M-F 7:00 am - 4:30 pm.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, BIPIN SHALWALA can be reached on (571) 272-7681. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Vijay Shankar', with a stylized, cursive script.

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